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PANCHAYATI RAJ
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BRGF Scheme
Kharge Shri Mallikarjun

Will the Minister of PANCHAYATI RAJ be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the districts in which Backward Regions Grant Fund (BRGF) scheme is being implemented, including the State of Karnataka, State/UT-wise;
(b) whether the Government is considering any proposal to increase the allocation under BRGF, if so, the details thereof;
(c) whether the BRGF has been successful in meeting its targets; and
(d) if so, the details thereof and the targets set/achieved till date?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PANCHAYATI RAJ
(SHRI NIHALCHAND)

(a) & (b): The District component of the Backward Regions Grant Fund (BRGF) Programme was being implemented by the Ministry of Panchayati Raj (MoPR) in 272 identified backward districts of all States of the Country, except Goa. The BRGF Programme has been de-linked from the budgetary support of the Central Government with effect from the financial year 2015-16.

(c) & (d): The BRGF Programme was designed to redress regional imbalances in development. The funds provided financial resources for supplementing and converging existing developmental inflows to identified backward districts so as to bridge critical gaps in local infrastructure and other development requirements. As per the progress reports received from various States/ Districts, funds under the Programme have been utilised in the backward districts for developmental works like construction of anganwadi centres, panchayat ghars, roads, culverts, bridges, community halls, water supply, etc.

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